REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for the continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1095.



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Group Art Unit	1713	
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Attorney Docket No.	001478	

This is a Request for Continued Example CE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53 (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar 20, 2000) 1233 Off. Gazette Pat

1.	Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114			
a.	\boxtimes	☑ Previously submitted		
	i.	Ø	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on October 30, 2002 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)	
i	ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on	
	iii.	⊠	Other Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 that was faxed/filed November 21, 2002	
b.	\boxtimes	En	closed RECE.	
	i.		Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Other Petition for Extension of Time	
	ii.		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	
	iii.		Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)	
	iv.	×	Other Petition for Extension of Time	
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a.			sion of Action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months (period shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)	
b.	⊔ Ot	her	•	
3.	Fee	es Th	ne RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
a.			rector is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit nt No. 01-2340	
	i. C	□ RC	CE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e)	
	ii. I	□ Ex	tension of Time Fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)	
	iii.	□ Oti	h r	
b.	⊠ (Check	in the amount of \$1,140.00 is enclosed. \$740.00 for filing fee and \$400.00 extension f	

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